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For: SYNTHETIC COMPOUNDS USEFUL AS NODULATION AGENTS OF  
LEGUMINOUS PLANTS AND PREPARATION PROCESSES THEREOF

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Commissioner for Patents  
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Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450**FORWARDING LETTER FOR CERTIFICATION OF TRANSLATION**

Sir:

This letter forwards the Certification of Translation in response to the Examiner's April 15, 2009, telephone request to the Applicants' attorney to submit the English translation of French Application 0315543 for the above-identified application. The translation of French Application 0315543 was filed on April 16, 2009.

**CONTINGENT EXTENSION REQUEST**

No fee is due at this time. The Applicants previously submitted the authorization for a one-month extension of time with the response dated March 4, 2009.

However, if this communication is filed after the shortened statutory time period has elapsed and no separate petition is enclosed, the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks is petitioned, under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), to extend the time for filing a response to the outstanding Office Action by the number of months which will avoid abandonment under 37 C.F.R. § 1.135. The fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17 should be charged to our Deposit Account No. 15-0700.

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### REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

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This application is believed to be in condition for allowance. Favorable consideration is requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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**CERTIFICATE OF TRANSLATION**

I declare that I understand the French language and the English language.

I am fully capable of translating from French into English and vice versa.

I examined and compared the certified copy of French Patent Application  
Number 0315543, filed on 30 December 2003, and its English language translation.

I certify that the English language translation of the certified copy of French Patent  
Application Number 0315543 is accurate.

I declare (or certify, verify, or state) under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United  
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12 May 2003  
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